

REMARKS

The Examiner's comments in paragraphs 1-4 of the Office Action have been noted. A Request for Consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement was filed August 27, 2008 on the basis that the Information Disclosure Statement was filed prior to the mailing of the final rejection and the required fee was in effect paid by authorization to charge a Deposit Account.

In paragraph 5 of the Office Action, claims 1-18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter that the applicant regards as the invention.

Reconsideration is requested in view of this Amendment.

Claim 1 was noted as not having an antecedent basis for the terms "the assembly and blockage". By this amendment, the term "the" has been deleted to avoid this objection. The recitation "wherein further wherein" has been rewritten to read --wherein-- and the term "safe" has been deleted.

Claim 3 has been amended to delete the term "the" as used in connection with --inflow feeding of water-- and --outflow distribution of water-- in order to avoid the objection that there was a lack of an antecedent basis for the use of these terms. The term "vaporization" has been introduced into claim 1 in connection with the term "nozzles (14)" to avoid the objection that there was a lack of an antecedent basis for this term in claim 3.

Claim 5 has been amended to insert the term "said at least one feeding" in connection with the term --feeding collector-- to improve the clarity of the claim.

Claim 7 has been amended to rewrite the term "the housing and fixing" as --housing and fixing-- to avoid the objection that there was a lack of an antecedent basis for this term.

Claim 8 has been canceled. Claim 9 has been amended to provide an antecedent basis for the term "ends" and claim 10 has been amended to avoid the objection that there was a lack of an antecedent basis for the terms "passage" and "circulating water".

Claim 10 has been amended to avoid the objection that there is a lack of an antecedent basis for the term "various plant components" by use of the expression -- distribution plant components--. The term "envisaged" has been deleted from claim 11 and replaced with the term -- provided-- to avoid any issue that "envisaged" only involves thought or contemplation.

Claim 13 has been amended to provide an antecedent basis for the term "second assembly tighteners" by the deletion of the word "assembly". The term "second tighteners (24)" appears in prior claims 11, 10 and 1 and the amended term in claim 13 now has a proper antecedent basis. The term "vaporization nozzles" in claim 13 has been provided with an antecedent basis by amendment of claim 1 to redefine "nozzles (14)" as "vaporization nozzles (14)" in accordance with the specification at page 8, line 24. The objection to the use of the term "compatible physico-chemical properties of circulation water" has been avoided by the cancellation of this term.

Claim 14 has been amended to delete the term "highly" and to delete the term "compatible". The term "envisaged" has been deleted and the amended text of the claim reads in part: "are made of corrosion resistant steel by means of turning, perforating and threading operations, with work tolerances resistant to the expected operating pressures and higher than 50 bar". This terminology is definite as its scope is readily ascertainable.

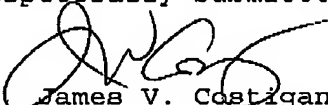
Claim 15 has canceled and the objection to that claim has been rendered moot. Claim 1 has been amended to point out "a" blocking element is used without reference

to a particular blocking element. Claim 17, as amended, now recites a specific U-shaped blocking element (41). This amendment removes any issue of indefiniteness. The term "its" which refers to --base-- in claim 17 has been deleted. The term "nozzle" in claim 18 has been revised to read "a vaporization nozzle (14)". This term appears in amended claim 1. The term "the second tighteners" in claim 18 has been revised to read "second tighteners (24)". The amended term has a proper antecedent basis in amended claim 1.

Each claim has been carefully reviewed and it is believed that this Amendment removes all bases for the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph.

An early and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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